



# Crop Progress and Condition

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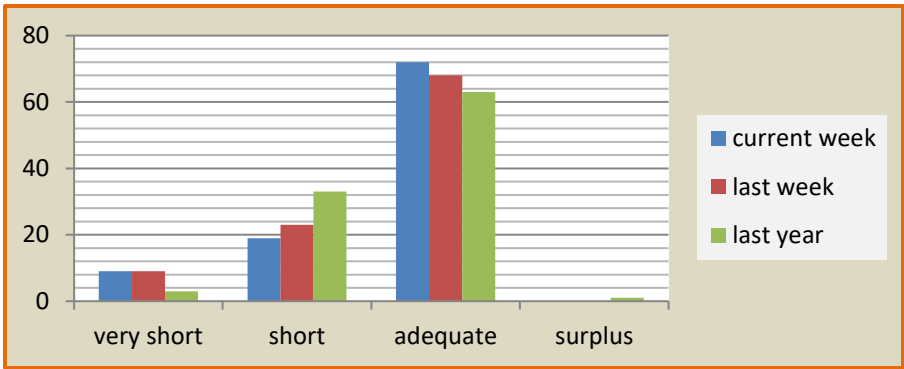
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**Agricultural News:** Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.4. Weather conditions were cooler with scattered rain and thunderstorms. Farming activities this week included harvesting peaches and making hay.

### SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/09/20

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	9	19	72	-
Subsoil	7	18	75	-

### TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/09/20



### CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/09/20

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	18	32	49	1
Peaches	-	18	28	53	1
Corn	5	14	27	54	-
Hay	3	18	34	43	2
Soybeans	-	5	25	65	5
Pasture	2	8	35	54	1
Cattle & Calves	-	2	23	72	3
Sheep & Lambs	-	2	9	87	2

- Represents zero.

### CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/09/20

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Peaches harvested	35	21	50	44
Corn silking	65	51	48	62
Corn dough	24	13	24	28
Corn dented	5	-	3	3
Hay second cutting	27	16	28	36
Soybeans blooming	40	27	52	48
Soybeans setting pods	18	7	19	20
Winter Wheat harvested for grain	75	65	85	91

- Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 9, 2020

The week began with West Virginia between Hurricane Isaias to our East, and a cold front to our West. The cold front moved through on Tuesday and kept the State relatively cool through mid-week. During this time, upper level disturbances brought scattered showers and thunderstorms to our area. Temperatures across the State cooled from previous weeks, and the majority of stations recorded below normal average temperatures for the first time in over a month. Most stations reached the upper 80s, and dropped into the upper 50s to low 60s at night. Near the end of the week, drier air moved into the area creating warmer, but pleasant weather. The State was drier than usual again. Only three stations reported above normal precipitation, and the State average was less than one half inch. The scattered showers and thunderstorms associated with the cold front brought the only organized precipitation to the State. The only other recordable precipitation fell from showers and thunderstorms that popped up due to upper level instability. Dry conditions still persist in the Northern part of the State.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 94 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 54 degrees. The state average temperature was 72 degrees.

Precipitation: Martinsburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.27 inches. Creston had the lowest with zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.42 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/09/20

Station	Temperature				Precipitation				
	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2020	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST-----									
WHEELING	88	58	72	-1	0.43	0.73	12.26	15.55	17.17
PARKERSBURG	90	60	73	-1	0.14	0.85	20.95	17.07	17.16
CRESTON	87	60	73		0.00		22.52	18.04	
--NORTHCENTRAL-----									
MORGANTOWN	86	61	73	0	0.44	0.83	14.42	18.98	18.08
CLARKSBURG	88	61	74	1	0.28	1.02	21.32	17.47	19.65
BELINGTON	87	58	73		0.40		21.55	15.18	
WESTON	86	62	73		0.32		27.17	17.52	
--SOUTHWEST-----									
WILLIAMSON	88	63	75		0.03		21.94	18.75	
HUNTINGTON	88	62	73	-3	0.03	0.88	17.52	17.08	18.02
CHARLESTON	88	60	73	-2	0.09	0.93	25.55	20.13	18.58
RIPLEY	86	62	73		0.05		21.64	17.53	
--CENTRAL-----									
TERRA ALTA	81	54	69		0.36		21.17	25.22	
ELKINS	84	58	71	1	0.41	0.93	24.93	22.44	20.02
MARLINTON	88	58	71		0.73		23.76	18.36	
--SOUTHERN-----									
BECKLEY	82	56	68	-2	1.13	0.97	24.08	18.75	18.44
PINEVILLE	89	63	74		0.51		24.90	16.63	
BLUEFIELD	84	57	69	-4	1.18	0.84	26.62	15.53	17.14
WHITE SUL SP	86	57	72		0.59		21.57	17.77	
BLUESTONE DAM	87	60	71		0.30		23.05	15.91	
--NORTHEASTERN-----									
MARTINSBURG	89	61	75	1	1.27	0.74	13.67	17.91	16.09
KEYSER	94	60	76		0.25		15.88	18.42	
MOOREFIELD	88	62	75		0.30		14.69	21.10	
State Average Temperature	72								
State Average Precipitation	0.42								

Source:  
Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.